

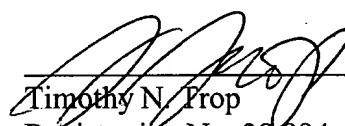
REMARKS

The claims have been amended to call for a system that allows a plurality of shopping carts within a retail facility to communicate between and among themselves over a wireless network. The system further includes tags so that the position of each cart can be determined. No such system that allows communication between the carts (not just with the server) is anywhere suggested in these cited references.

Therefore the application is now in condition for allowance.

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APPENDIX

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Four Times Amended). A method comprising:

positioning a plurality of wireless tags around a facility;

providing a sensor, associated with a tag, said sensor to sense the tags to determine the position of a user in the facility; [and]

[providing a route from the user's current position to a requested destination through said facility.]

wirelessly linking a plurality of shopping carts within the retail facility through a local area network based in the retail facility; and

enabling the carts to communicate with one another through the network.

11. (Thrice Amended) An article comprising a medium storing instructions that enable a processor-based system to:

receive information from a plurality of wireless tags distributed about a facility;

analyze information from the tags to determine the current location of a user;

[and]

wirelessly link a plurality of shopping carts within the retail facility through a local area network based in the retail facility; and

enable the carts to exchange information among the carts through said network.

21. (Thrice Amended). A system comprising:

a plurality of wireless tags;

a wireless sensor associated with a user;

a processor associatable with a user; and

a storage coupled to said processor to determine the user's current position based on information from said tags, and, to wireless link a plurality of shopping carts within a retail facility through a local area network based in the retail facility and enable the carts to exchange information between themselves through said network. [to provide a route to a requested destination from the user's current position.]